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- 1. FOLLOWING UP OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH THE UK DELEGATION OF THIS MATTER IN 1976 (REFTELS), UK POLAD INFORMED US MARCH 9 THAT FCO AND MOD HAVE COMPLETED REVIEW OF UK DEFENSE CONTACTS WITH SOUTH AFRICA.
- 2. THE UK DELEGATION WAS AUTHORIZED TO INFORM US,IN STRICT CONFIDENCE FOR OUR INFORMATION ONLY, THAT "BRITISH MINISTERS HAVE DECIDED THAT THE UK'S FUTURE RELATIONS WITH SOUTH AFRICA IN THE MILITARY FIELD WILL NOT IN THE FUTURE BE SUCH AS TO INVOLVE THE TRANSMISSION TO THE SOUTH AFRICANS OF ANY NATO MATERIAL NOR THEIR INVOLVEMENT, IN PEACETIME, IN ANY NATO ACTIVITIES WHICH THE UK UNDERTAKES ON NATO'S BEHALF."
- 3. IN VIEW OF THIS DECISION, UK POLAD SAID, UK BELIEVES SECRET

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THAT QUESTION OF BRIEFING SYG LUNS ON UK-SOUTH AFRICAN ARRANGMENT DOES NOT ARISE. STRAUSZ-HUPE

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